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☐ 40 Numbered Claims Calculated as 40 Claims for Fee Purposes  
☐ 12 Sheets of Drawing Containing Figures 1 to 15. (Formal)  
☒ Inventors Designation Sheet  
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